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12 February 1950

Two hundred and fifty anti-aircraft guns have arrived in Shanghai from the USSR.

2. Forty long range heavy artillery pieces are to be sent to the coast facing the Choushan Islands by means of the Shanghai-Hangchow Railroad.

3. Military forces in the Chenhai (121-42, 29-59) area have been increased by the addition of the 25 and 26 Divisions of the 6 Army Group of the 2 Field Army under LIU Po-cheng and of the 30 Division of the 3 Army Group of the same Field Army. These troops are practicing the use of small junks and landing tactics in night operations.

4. Great quantities of cotton, foodstuffs and military supplies are stored in warehouses along the Bund and Soochow Creek in Shanghai. Communist soldiers are living in these warehouses.

8 February 1950

5. Five hundred thousand Communist troops are moving north from Canton and Kweilin and will be stationed along the Chekiang and Fukien coasts.

* Comment. Although it has been reported elsewhere that troops were moving north from South and Southwest China toward the Chekiang coast, the number reported here is probably exaggerated.

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